

## TRACEBACKS

Tracebacks of dogs and cats purchased or sold by a random source “B” dealer must be conducted.

At each quarterly inspection of a random source “B” dealer, the inspector must:

- randomly select three or four dogs and/or cats from:
  - ▶ the animals present and/or
  - ▶ the Record of Animals on Hand (APHIS Form 7005)
- using the Animal Care Record Traceback/Traceforward Worksheet (APHIS Form 7400-see page 6.3.3), record the following information:
  - ▶ name of inspector
  - ▶ date information collected
  - ▶ name, address, phone number and USDA license number of the “B” dealer
  - ▶ description of the animal including:
    - R dog or cat
    - R sex
    - R USDA tag number
    - R age/date of birth
    - R breed/type
    - R color
    - R markings
  - ▶ information about the person from whom the dog/cat was acquired including:
    - R date of acquisition
    - R name and address
    - R phone number, if available
    - R USDA license number, if applicable
    - R driver’s license and vehicle license number and State, if not USDA licensed
  - ▶ information about the person to whom the dog/cat was sold, donated or transferred to, including:
    - R date of disposition
    - R name and address
    - R phone number, if available
    - R USDA license number, if applicable

NOTE: The Record of Disposition of Dogs and Cats (APHIS Form 7006) may be used to obtain some of the information required for the Traceback Worksheet.

After the inspection, the inspector must:

- contact the seller to determine if:
  - ▶ he/she actually sold, donated or transferred the dog or cat
  - ▶ the dog or cat was bred and raised on his/her premises
  - ▶ he/she knew the dog or cat might be sold for research
- if the animal has been sold, contact the buyer to determine if:
  - ▶ the animal was purchased by him/her
  - ▶ the required certification accompanied the animal
- complete the “Verification Record” portion of the Traceback Worksheet
- send the Traceback Worksheets to the appropriate Regional Office where it will be forwarded to Headquarters

Ways to contact the seller or buyer of the dog/cat include:

- by telephone
- at the inspector’s discretion, in person if the seller or buyer is in the inspector’s territory